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MANAGEMENT OF MULTIPLE NETWORK RESOURCES

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

The applicant acknowledges the allowance of claims 1-13 in the subject application by the Examiner with appreciation. The Applicant points out that the reasons set forth by the Examiner are not the only reasons that claims 1-13 are allowable. The Applicant agrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, dated July 19, 2007, to the extent that the claims of the present invention are patentable over the references in the record. However, the Applicant does not necessarily acquiesce or agree in any manner as to the comments made by the Examiner regarding what the prior art does or does not teach. In addition, the Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that any comment is intended or has the effect of limiting a claim scope, explicitly or implicitly, by not reciting verbatim the respective claim language, or is intended or has the effect of limiting a

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claim scope by stating or implying that all the reasons for patentability are in any way fully enumerated.

Further reasons for allowance beyond those enumerated by the Examiner are described and set forth in the Applicant's specification. As the Examiner's reasons for allowance are not exhaustive, such reasons for allowance do not establish an estoppel against Applicant seeking and obtaining allowance of additional, broader claims in a continuation application, which Applicant reserves the right to file.

Respectfully submitted,

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